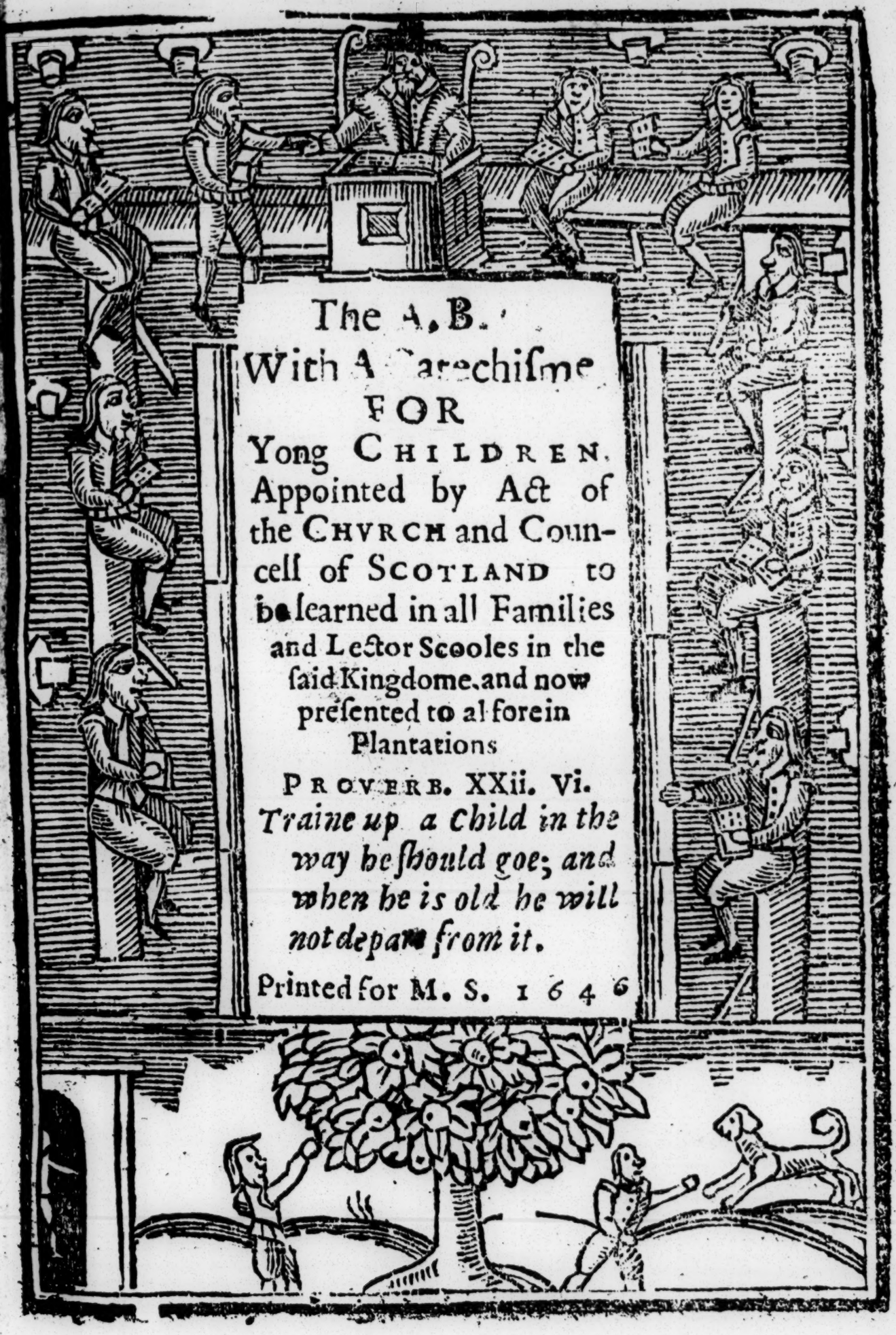


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With A Catechisme

FOR

Yong CHILDREN.

Appointed by Act of the CHVRCH and Councell of SCOTLAND to be learned in all Families and Lector Scooles in the said Kingdome, and now presented to al forein Plantations

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Traine up a Child in the way he should goe; and when he is old he will not depart from it.

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Amen.

A Catechisme for young

Children.

1 Q. WHo made you?
A. God.
2. Q. In what estate made he man
A. Perfectly holy in body and soule.
3 Q. How fell he from that good estate?
A. By breaking of the commandement o
God.
4 Q. What punishment followed there upon
A. Death and condemnation to him and hi
posteritie.
5 Q. How are we delivered therefrom?
A. By Gods free mercy in Jesus Christ.
6 Q. What kind of person is Jesus Christ?
A. He is very God and very Man in on
person.
7 Q. Why call ye him very God?
A. Because he is the Eternall son of God
of one and the selfe same Godhead with
the Father and holy Ghost.
8 Q. Why call ye him very man?

A. Because he is like us in all things, sinne onely excepted.

9 Q. Why was he without sinne?

A. That he might be an unspotted sacrifice for sinne.

10 Q. What hath he done for us?

A. He died for our sinnes, and rose for our righteousnesse.

11 Q. Are all men that perished in Adam, saved by Christ?

A. No, but onely those that hath true faith in him.

12 Q. What call you the true faith;

A. It is the true knowledge of Jesus Christ, with assurance of saluation in him.

13 Q. Rehearse the Artickles of your faith.

A. I Beleeve in God the Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and Earth.

2 And in Jesus Christ his onely Son our Lord

3 Which was conceived of the holy Ghost: borne of the Virgin Marie:

4 Suffered under Pontius Pilat, was crucified, dead, and buried: he decended into hell.

5 The third day he rose againe from death.

6 He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty:

7 From

7 From that place shal he come to iudge the quic
and the dead.
8 I beleeue in the holy Ghost.
9 The holy Church universall.
10 the communion of Saints.
11 The forgiuenesse of sinnes.
12 The resurrection of the body, and life ever
lasting.

14 Q. By what meanes doth Gods Spirit
work this faith in you?
A. By the word of God.
15 Q. What call ye the word of God?
A. The holy Scripture of the Old and new
Testament.
16 Q. By what meanes doth Gods Spirit
confirme this faith in you?
A, By the same word, & by the Sacrament
17 Q. What call ye the Sacraments?
A. They are visible signes and seales ordaine
of God for the confirmation of m
faith.
18 Q. How doe they confirme your faith?
A. By receiuing them as pledges that Chri
crucified (represented and offered in them
is given to mee in particular to be m
Saviour.

19 Q Ho

19 Q. How many Sacraments are there?
A. Two, Baptisme, and the Lords Supper
20 Q. Why were you Baptized being an infant?
A. That thereby I might be ingrafted in Christ, and entred into his Church which is his misticall body.
21 Q. What profit have ye by Baptisme now?
A. It seales up the remission of my sins in Christs blood: and advances the renovation of my heart in his Spirit: which are my spirituall watching.
22 Q. What call yee the Lords supper?
A. It is the Sacrament of my spirituall nourishment on the body and blood of Christ.
23 Q. How doe you eate his body and drinke his blood?
A. By beléeving assuredly that his body was broken, and his blood was shed for mée.
24 Q. What thankefulnesse owewee to God for giving his son to shed his blood for you
A. I ought to deny my selfe, and walke in his commandements all the dayes of my life.

25 Q Rehearse the Commandements.
A. HEarken and take heede Israel, for I am the Lord thy God who hath brought thée out of the land of Egypt, and out of the house of Bondage.

1 Thou shalt have no other Gods but me.
2 Thou shalt not make to thy selfe any graue
Image, nor the likenesse of any thing that is
heaven above, nor in the Earth beneath, nor
the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bo
downe to them, nor worship them: for I the Lo
thy God am a iealous God, and visiteth the sin
of the father upon the children unto the third an
fourth generation of them that hate mee, an
sheweth mercy unto thousands of them that lo
mee and keepe my commandements.
3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord th
God in vaine: for the Lord will not hold hi
guiltlesse that taketh his Name in vaine.
4. Remember that thou keepe holy the Sabbat
day: six dayes shalt thou labour and doe all tha
thou hast to doe: but the seauenth day is th
Sabbath of the Lord thy God, in it thou shalt do
no manner of worke, thou nor thy son nor th
daughter, thy man seruant, thy maid seruant
thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within th
gates: for in six dayes the Lord made heaue
and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, an
rested the seuenth day: wherefore the Lor
blessed the seabenth day and hallowed it.
5 Honour thy father and thy mother that th
dayes may be long in the land which the Lord
thy God giueth thee.
6. Thou

6 Thou shalt do no murther.
7 Thou shalt not commit adultery,
8 Thou shalt not steale.
9 Thou shalt not beare false witnesse against thy neighbour.
10 Thou shalt not couet thy neighbours house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbours wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ore, nor his asse, nor any thing that is his.

Lord have mercy upon us, and write all these Lawes in our hearts we beseech thee.

26 Q. Which is the summe and effect of all these Commandements.

A. Thou shalt loue the Lord thy God with all thy heart, mind, and strength, and and thy neighbour as thy selfe.

27 Q. Is any man able to doe these things perfectly in this life?

A. None at all.

28 Q. Why so?

A. Because no man is perfectly sanctified in this life.

29 Yet must not we presse to a perfection in fulfilling Gods Commandements?

A. Doubtlesse, for otherwise there is neither faith nor feare of God in us.

30 Q. What

30. Q. What must we doe then, when we breake any of these commandements?

A. We must turne to God by repentance and praier.

31 Q. What call ye Repentance?

A. It is the turning of my heart to God with unfained sorrow for offending his Maiesty, and a constant resolution to amend my life.

32 Q. What call you prayer?

A. It is taking upon God in the Name of Christ for things belonging to Gods glory and our necessitie.

33 Q. Why is it not lawfull to pray to creatures, as to Angels and Saints glorified?

A. Because God hath commanded us to worship himselfe alone.

34 Q. Why must we pray only in Christs name?

A. Because hee is our only Mediator and intercessor.

35 Q. How then should we pray?

A. According to that patterne of Prayer that he set before us saying, when ye pray, say:

OUr Father which art in heaven:
1. Hallowed be thy Name.
2. Thy Kingdome come, 3. Thy

3. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven.
4. Giue us this day our daily bread,
5. And forgiue us our tresp asses, as we forgiue them that tresp asse against us.
6. And lead us not into temptation but deliuer us from euil, for thine is the Kingdome, the power and glory, for euer and euer. Amen.

36. Q. How are ye assured that God will heare your Prayers?

A. By Christs owne word, promised, that what euer wee aske the Father in his name, it shall be giueu us.

37. Q. What is the fruit of all this your Religion and serving of God?

A. Hereby God is glorified, and I am saued, through Iesus Christ my Lord: to whom be euerlasting praise and glory. Amen.

Prayers

Prayers and Graces for yong Children.

Morning Prayer.

My gratious God I blesse thée with my whole heart for thy fatherly prouidence, wa tchi ouer me this night. And I beseech thée to co new thy mercy with me both this day and t whole course of my life: to the end and in t end: that being alwaies guided by thy grac guarded by thy prouidence, I may spend t time of my pilgramage in thy feare, a end in thy fauour, through Iesus Christ t blessed Lord and Sabiour. Amen.

Euening Prayer at going to Bed.

It is of thy undeserued mercy (O God t I haue passed this day in safety without so notable inconuenience in these infinite dange wherein I continually cast my selfe throu my folly. Now I beseech thée (good Lord) le please thée of thy gratious goodnesse protect m also this night: and grant mée quiet rest in so and body, that I may better serue thée in bot through Iesus Christ my gratious Lord a Sabiour. Amen.

Grace before meate

I will both lay me downe and sleepe: in peace for thou Lord onely makes mee dwell in safety. Psal. 4. 8.

Grace before meate.

Psal. 145. 15.

THe eyes of all waite on thée (O Lord) and thou giuest them their meat in due season: thou openest thy hand and satisfiest the desire of every liuing thing (good Lord) blesse us and those gifts which wée receiue of thy large liberality through Iesus Christ our Lord. So be it.

Another,

PArdon our sinnes (O Lord) and giue us thy blessing with thy benefits that they may haue strength to nourish us, and wée may haue grace to serue thée our gratious God in Iesus Christ. Amen.

Grace after meate

THe God of all glory and peace who hath created us, redéemed us, and presently fed us be blessed now and for euer more. So be it.

Another:

MOst mighty Lord and most mercifull father, wée yield thée harty thanks for our bo-

bodily ſuſtentation requiring alſo moſt intirely thy gratious goodneſſe, ſo to feede us with the foode of thy heavenly grace, that wée may worthily glorifie thy name in this life and after be partakers of thy everlasting glory, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. So be it.

Another. Mat. 4. 4.

LOrd, thou haſt ſaid it, and wée beléeue it, that man liveth not by bread onely, but by every word that proceéds out of thy mouth: Therefore give us [we beſéech thée] thy bleſſing with thy benefits that in the ſtrength of thy bleſſing this life being preſerved, wée may ſpend it in thy holy ſeruice, till wée attaine to life everlaſting, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and onely Sauiour. Amen.

To any of theſe or the like graces that ſhall be ſaid after meate, let thoſe or the like prayers be added for the Church and for the King &c.

GOd ſave the Church univerſall, God comfort the comfortles, Lord increaſe our faith. O Lord for Chriſt thy ſons ſake, be mercifull to the common wealth where thy Goſpel is truly preached, and harbour granted to the afflicted members of Chriſts body, and illuminate according to thy good pleaſure all nations with the

the brightneſſe of thy word, God ſave our moſt gratious King Charles our Queene Mary the hopefull Prince Charles: The Lady Elizabeth, and their princely progeny, guide thou them (O God) by thy grace that they may rule thy people aright to the terror of euill doers and the comfort of all thoſe that feare thee and love thy truth. Amen.

A briefe of the Commandements.

HAve thou no other Gods but me,
Unto no image bow thy knee.
Take not the name of God in vaine,
Doe not the Sabbath day prophane.
Honour thy father and mother too,
And ſee that thou no murder doe,
From whoredome keepe thee pure and cleane,
And ſteale not, though thy ſtate be meane.
See that thou no falſe witneſſe beare,
And covet not thy neighbours geare.

O Lord our ſoules to thee convert,
And write thy Lawes into our hearts.

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